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BEST CORN EAR MISSOURI'S

Alva Mann of Kansas City Wins at the International.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—The best ear of corn produced in the United States this year was grown in Missouri, according to five judges at the International here today. The judges awarded sweepstakes honors late today in the single ear class to Alva Mann of King City, Mo., in a contest in which eight hundred single ears of corn from all parts of the country were shown. Mann, who is thus made single-ear corn champion of the world, exhibited Reid's yellow dent.

Another Missouri culturist of corn also won signal honors at the International. He was Ora Bennett of Browning, winner of third place in the 10-ear class, with Johnson County white. The sweepstakes winner in the 10-ear class was Peter J. Lux of Shelbyville, Ill., who also exhibited Johnson County white. Lux won the same honor last year.

First in kaffir corn, strange to say, was won by Missouri over Oklahoma, Kansas and Colorado, usually premier growers of this dry and crop. John R. Sheldon of Holden, Mo., a noted Missouri corn grower, entered a new field and captured first in kaffir.

MISSOURI NOTES

Auctioning of the furnishing of the Planters Hotel of St. Louis 105 years old, began last week. The famous hostelry will be converted into an office building after January 1.

The Kansas City police have about abandoned hope of catching the hold-ups who last week relieved messengers of a Kansas City bank of \$96,000 in the lobby of the live stock exchange building. Holdups are becoming of more than daily occurrence in that city.

Rev. A. N. Lindsay, the well known Christian minister of Clinton was painfully injured while hunting near Clinton one day last week with Roscoe Conklin of Kansas City when a shot from the gun of his friend struck him in the eye, penetrating the ball.

The University of Missouri chapter of the Order of the Golden Fleece, an organization of red-headed students and faculty members, last week elected Alvin C. Trippe of Warsaw, Mo., president. The club has fifty-two members while a canvass of the university shows there are 107 red-headed students and faculty members.

According to the Paris Mercury, Sheriff Barton recently levied on fourteen tax bonds belonging to John Walkup, south of Stoutsville, and brought them to Paris in a truck. The execution was in favor of Robert Crump of Paris and the Mercury says this is the first recognition of a bond as property in the history of Monroe county legal proceedings.

Dr. Arthur Wakefield Slaten, professor of Biblical Literature and religious education at William Jewell College, Liberty, Missouri, was dismissed from the faculty Thursday night by unanimous decision of the board of trustees. The action of the board was taken in secret session at Kansas City. It followed expressions by Dr. Slaten of certain religious beliefs which the trustees deemed inconsistent with his position.

Amendments Nos. 2 and 3 eliminating the word "male" as a qualification for a voter and providing a system of maintenance for state roads from the motor vehicle license fees, were the only two of the nineteen propositions carried in the election November 7th, the official count by secretary of State shows. The road maintenance amendment received the tremendous majority of 251,505, while amendment No. 2 which was to remove all restrictions against women voting in Missouri, carried by more than eighty-four thousand. The largest vote was cast against proposition No. 14, which proposed an employer's liability act. The majority against it was 420,683.

Five deaths at Houston, Tex., hospitals Thursday brought the total to 17 dead as a result of the collision of Houston, East and West Texas passenger train No. 28 with a switch engine at Humble, nearby oil town, late Wednesday night.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

One of the most enjoyable events of the season was a six o'clock dinner served by the Senior Home Economics Class on Wednesday, Dec. 13, under the direction of Miss White, supervisor of Home Economics and Mrs. Rhodes, Asst. Home Economics instructor.

The dinner was prepared by girls of the class and served in four courses by Misses Nadine Leonard, Ethel McGuire, Bernice Goodson, Lafaun Booth and Virginia Foster.

The room and tables were

beautifully decorated in evergreen and poinsettias, altogether presenting a very pretty scene.

The affair was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Lee who are soon to remove from Butler to Jefferson City, where Mr. Lee will take up his duties as State Superintendent of Public Schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee have made their residence in Butler for the past three years, during which time Mr. Lee has had the supervision of the City Schools. They have made many friends here, who regret their departure, but who wish them every joy and happiness in their new home.

Mr. Taylor, who has been elected as Superintendent of the Butler schools to succeed Mr. Lee, acted as toast master.

Mr. Lee in a few well chosen words, expressed his appreciation of the loyalty of the Board of Education, Faculty and Patrons of the schools, during his stay here, and declared intentions of retaining an interest in Butler schools, and also of visiting us occasionally.

Dr. Arnold, president of the board of education, spoke appropriately on behalf of the board, praising Mr. Lee for his work while in Butler. He said that while they regret that Mr. Lee is to be with us no longer, they consider that we are very fortunate in securing a man of Mr. Taylor's ability to take the place, and gave Mr. Taylor every assurance of the same hearty support given to Mr. Lee while here.

Other toasts were given by Mr. Dillon, teacher of mathematics, who is to accompany Mr. Lee to Jefferson City as chief statistician and High School Inspector, Miss Edna G. Steele, Principal of Senior High School, Mr. Davidson, principal of Junior High school, Miss Crabb, principal of the North school and Miss Bertie Silvers, principal of the East school. Each of these speakers fittingly expressed the sentiment of the entire faculty in their words of appreciation of the wise guidance and leadership of Mr. Lee.

After dinner a pleasant hour was spent in visiting, all departing at a late hour, declaring the evening a most pleasant one and hoping that Mr. Lee's suggestion will be followed and that a similar affair may be given some time in the future.

Those who were present at this most enjoyable event were: Mr.

and Mrs. C. A. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Zey, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Wyatt, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. John Krihn, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Dillon, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Rhodes, Mrs. Bertha Bilyeu, Mrs. Lucetta P. Cobb, Miss Edna G. Steele, Miss Ethel Cabell, Miss Eva Henry, Miss Elva L. Scott, Miss Kathleen White, Miss Radford, Miss Moreland, Miss Kate Walker, Miss Mabel McCook, Miss Bertie Silvers, Miss Mildred Silvers, Miss Ruth Watson and Miss Frances Crabb.

An odd typographical error occurred in a Missouri exchange last week. The editor in his Christmas story had a quotation from the Psalms "Praise ye the Lord" and the Linotype operator made the types say "Praise ye the Ford."

Germany Near a Collapse.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Information reaching the American government through trade channels, it was said today, tends to bear out the statement of Premier Bonar Law that an economic collapse threatened Germany. In fact, it was declared, Germany appears to be approaching the point where she will be unable to import food in sufficient quantities to feed her people. No estimate was made, however, as to when her food supply would be exhausted.

So far as the allied debt situation was concerned, officials maintained silence. The position of the United States, however, has been stated repeatedly as holding the debt question to be distinct from reparations.

Gov. Allen a Hit on Broadway.

New York, Dec. 14.—Governor Henry J. Allen of Kansas thinks the prettiest chorus girls on Broadway come from his state.

He said so last night, then he tossed aside gubernatorial dignity to hold the spotlight on the stage of the "Ziegfeld Follies" surrounded by half a hundred of the most beautiful chorus girls that ever blossomed in the white light district.

He had jumped onto the stage to engage in a friendly exchange of repartee with a comedian and seemed to be getting the better of the argument when the management turned loose the entire chorus.

The constitutional convention last week rejected the proposal of the committee on the bill of rights providing for the abolition of capital punishment in the state.

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